

The Center was opened to the public in April 1982. Nowhere in the state of Missouri is there such a comprehensive display of information concerning traffic safety, law enforcement, drug abuse, and many items relating to the history or the Missouri Highway Patrol. There are also exhibits focusing on the services and responsibilities of the Highway Patrol both on and off the highways.

Safety Education Center

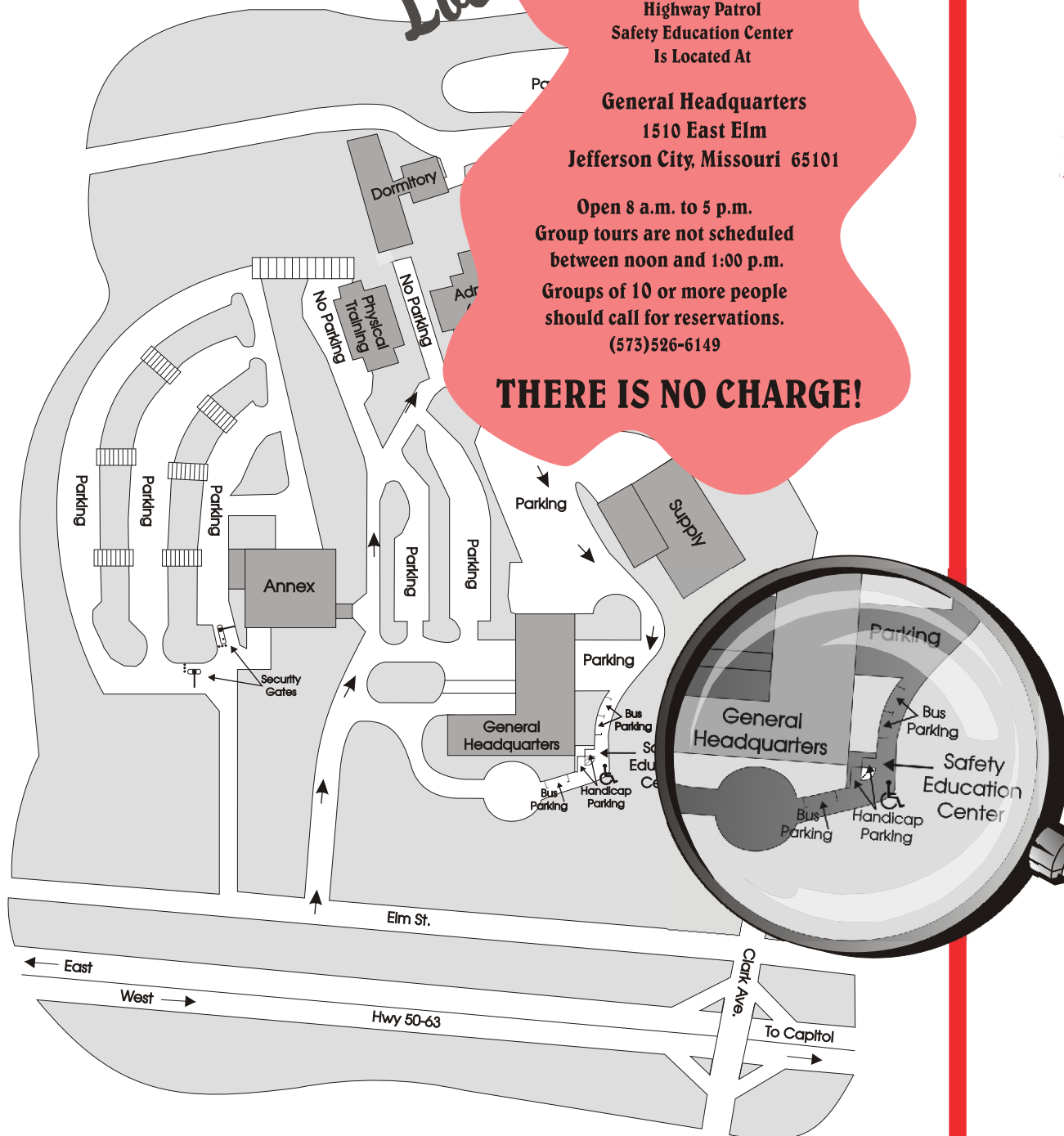
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Highway Patrol
Safety Education Center
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Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

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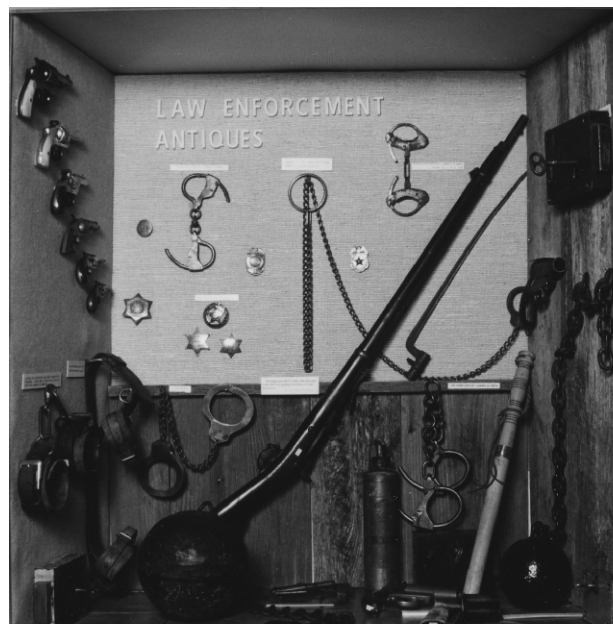
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Five patrol cars are on display to show the contrast in vehicular motor equipment of the Highway Patrol down through the years. On exhibit are a 1931 Model A Ford Roadster, a 1942 Chevrolet, a 1953 Chevrolet, a 1978 Mercury and a 1988 Ford Mustang. In addition, two motorcycles formerly used by the Patrol are on display in the Center.



Other historical exhibits include law enforcement antiques, such as locks and keys from various county jails, handcuffs, several guns, and objects of every description that could be used as weapons in the wrong hands.



An audiovisual exhibit tells about murder of Sergeant Ben Booth and Sheriff Roger Wilson in 1933. Sergeant Booth was the first member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to be killed in the line of duty.



Sitting in this case is canine Rommel, an eight-year-old German shepherd. Rommel was stationed in Troop B, at the time of his death from natural causes. The Missouri State Highway Patrol canine program began in 1988. This exhibit shows how important their work is in removing illegal drugs from Missouri's highways.

Exhibits dealing with the functions of various divisions within the Highway Patrol can be found throughout the Center. The work of the Highway Patrol's Crime Laboratory Division, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division, Driver Examination Division, Training Division, Aircraft Division and the Technical Services/ Explosive Disposal Unit is depicted through informative displays.



Infamous criminals have often traveled through Missouri in the past and among them was George R. Kelly, alias 'Machine Gun Kelly.' A display concerning this notorious criminal can be found in the Center. A jail cell of the type used in the 1950s, and in some places today, is also in the Center, complete with a 'prisoner.'



A drunk driving exhibit found in the Safety Center notes the hazards of drinking and driving, and the use of the breathalyzer. Adults will also find interesting displays on railroad crossing safety and defensive driving.

Law enforcement agencies throughout the state conduct numerous investigations resulting in excess of 500 clandestine methamphetamine laboratories seized each year. Learn the dangers of this drug from this display.

The Center has three displays regarding the use of illegal drugs. Two contain samples of different types of drugs and drug paraphernalia. The third showcases the D.A.R.E. – Drug Abuse Resistance Education – program. The Patrol has been involved with D.A.R.E. since 1987.

